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Utah's historical medals, tokens, coins and bottles.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As we near the end of summer, the days are getting shorter, the nights more crisp, indicating that it's time we harvest the garden along with finding coins and tokens before winter begins.

This month we will be having the Find of the Month. We will be looking forward to seeing your finds that you've located the last two months.

The mini display this month will be from Don Swain showing his fantastic Canadian coin collection

I would like to express my appreciation to everyone for coming out to the club picnic. What a wonderful time we all experienced. The food was great! The detecting rally was a blast for the young kids and the bigger kids along with lots of fun and friendships. A big THANKS goes to James Staker and Neil Phillips for all their time spent planning and organizing the club picnic and detecting rally. Thanks everyone for making this years picnic a great success.

This month we have our great friend, Mr. Bentsen Moss, coming out to speak to us about the old mining town of Colton, Utah. Through the years, Bentsen has amassed a huge amount of items (coins, marbles, bottles, tokens, and other artifacts) from this town by metal detecting and screening. This will be an amazing evening to hear from Bentsen and see his incredible Colton Utah collection.



Thanks everyone for all your support, friendship and fun that you bring to this wonderful club we call NUTS!

Keep searching for that gold coin it's just around the corner.

See ya at the meeting.

Todd Monson

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MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 23

**We had 50 in attendance at
the August picnic**

Summer Picnic

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Chris Benson, Mike Morey



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Leo Vera, Phil Lavorgna,
Vicky Staker



Vicky Staker, Kathy Staker,
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Eldon Farnsworth, Chris Benson



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Marlyn and Denise Wilson



Chris Benson, Mike Morey, Lisa
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Bill Turpela



Kyle Carson



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Linda and Phil Lavorgna,
Ramona Magpie



Todd Monson, Bill Glodowski,
Bob Campbell



Dawn Monson, Renee Fausett



Mike and Lisa Morey



Ralph and Julie Gold



Renee Fausett, Neil Phillips,
Cliff Fausett



Linda Lavorgna, Don Swain,
Marlyn Wilson



Linda & Phil Lavorgna



Bob Campbell, Marlyn
Wilson, Ramona Magpie



Danetta Ratcliffe, Irv
Ratcliffe, Bill Glodowski



James and Vicky Staker



Autumn Beckstead & Nickie
Valerio



Jeremy Swain, JJ Valerio,
Nickie Valerio



Eldon Farnsworth



Irv & Stephen Ratcliffe



Ralph Gold and his "Baby"

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPT. 23rd N.U.T.S. MONTHLY MEETING

Location: 2531 South 400 East, Room 105

Time: 7:00 PM

OCTOBER

8th – 9th – Cullman, Alabama. 37th Annual Deep South Open Treasure Hunt, sponsored by the Warrior Basin Treasure Hunters Association and Garrett Metal Detectors, at Smith Lake Park.

Prizes will include gold and silver coins, metal detectors, old coins, relics and tokens. Discount cutoff dates are 6/10 (up to 35% discount) and 9/30 (up to 15% discount). Sign up a new guest and save another 10%. Contacts: Joe Box: ulozifind@windstream.net, (205) 640-4116, Cell (205) 451-7693; Eddie Bradley: ed-dieb@wbtha.com; Lawrence McKelvey: lmckelvey@charter.net.

Get all the details at

<http://wbtha.com/HuntPages/DSTH/DSTH2010/dsth.html>

10th – Belmar Beach, New Jersey. 23rd Annual Open Beach Hunt sponsored by the Deep Search Metal Detecting Club. For more information, visit www.DSMDC.org or contact John Helder at (732) 572-1367 or e-mail Russell at marketmanruss@aol.com for a registration form.

16th – Irving, Texas. The Lone Star Treasure Hunters Club will host its 36th Annual Open Hunt at the Mountain Creek Preserve from 8:30 – 4:30. Six hunts with lots of prizes, a cake auction, and a raffle. Headphones required. For more information, log onto

<http://www.lonestartreasure.com/LSTHOH201036th.pdf> or contact Huntmaster Robert Jordan, 1705 Pecan View, Garland, TX, 75040, (972) 530-5832, e-mail bobby.jordan@tx.rr.com

16th – Aiken, South Carolina. The 1st CSRA Metal Detecting Annual Hunt, 10 a.m. Location will be announced by e-mail to all who register. Several nice prizes, including gold and silver coins and a metal detector. Come join the fun. Lunch will be provided. Visit

www.csrametaldetecting.webs.com for more info. Registration fee is \$60 before Sept. 15th, \$75 after. Call Joey or Kandi for more info at (803) 640-0755.

24th – Galveston, Texas. Houston Archeology Recovery Club's 29th Annual Open Beach Hunt at Stewart Beach. For registration visit <http://www.texasCouncil.net> and click on Member Events. Contacts: Buster Toland: 281-345-6899, gailrmt@sbcglobal.net, or byron.whitaker@yahoo.com

30th – 31st – Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Open Hunt 2010 sponsored by the Lancaster Research & Recovery Club, in partnership with the Susquehanna Valley Metal Detecting Club, at the Lancaster County Central Park's Environmental Center. Registration starts at 8 a.m. each day. All silver hunts - one each morning and afternoon, rain or shine. There will be a Kids Hunt (up to age 12), a Free Fun Hunt, and an Optional Gold Hunt. Questions? Call Mike or Sue Race at (717) 355-0691, or e-mail msrace@hydrosoft.net

31st – Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The Mid-Atlantic Chapter's Open Hunt following the Lancaster Research & Recovery Club's Open Hunt at the Lancaster County Park Environmental Center at approximately 3 p.m. The entry fee is only \$50 and the Chapter will kick in \$2,500 above your entry fee. Send fee to Mid-Atlantic East Coast Chapter, c/o Vic Kamer, 106 Elm Street, Sarver, PA 16055. Call (724) 295-3046 for more info.

OCTOBER 28TH N.U.T.S. MONTHLY MEETING

Location: 2531 South 400 East, Room 105

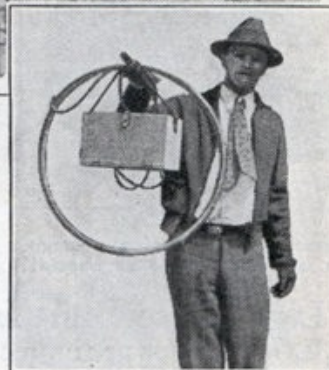
Time: 7:00 PM

Modern Mechanix, October 1934

New Device Locates Buried Metal



Above—Photo shows prospector lowering the coil along a rock face to determine the presence of precious minerals. Right—A close-up of device showing coil and battery box. Electrical disturbances are transmitted from the coil to a meter. Note extreme lightness of the complete unit.



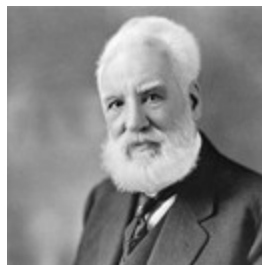
REQUIRING no technical knowledge to operate, a new detection instrument is said to be unusually efficient in locating buried metal or virgin ore. Electrical impulses, sent through a hoop-like coil, set up disturbances on a recording meter, indicating metal's presence.

Name: Alexander Graham Bell

Lifespan: March 3rd, 1847 – August 2nd, 1922

Country: Scotland

Occupation: Scientist, Inventor



Best known for: Inventing the Telephone

Legacy: Alexander Graham Bell is most commonly referred to as the inventor of the telephone. He was a scientist, inventor, and innovator who's goal was to create an invention that would benefit the world. Bell was also involved with helping the deaf, inspired by his deaf mother and wife. **He is also responsible for the metal detector, which is still commonly used today.** Overall, this Scottish inventor was a great contribution to the world as we know it.

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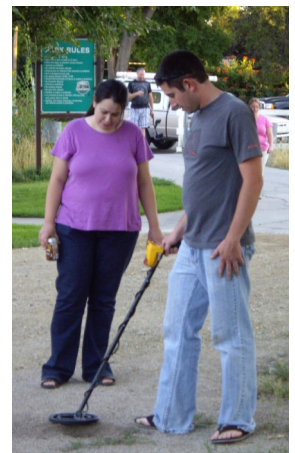
Bill Glodowski (We are going to attach a coil and wire it to his crutch)



Vicky Staker



Ramona Magpie and Eldon Farnsworth



Nickie Valerio, JJ Valerio



Leo Vera



Boyd Pickering, Derek Farnsworth, Eldon Farnsworth



PRIZE WINNERS: Anthony Bos,
JJ Valerio, (Todd Monson, President - pictured)
Bill Glodowski, Connie Pickering



Neil Phillips, Cliff Fausett,
Don Swain



Jennifer Halladay, Boyd
Pickering, Tristan Halladay &
Rodney Halladay



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OCTOBER 27

NOVEMBER 17

DECEMBER - TBA



TREASURES FOUND WITH ONLY METAL DETECTORS BY ORDINARY PEOPLE



MIDDLEHAM JEWEL

This little treasure was discovered in Middleham Castle in North Yorkshire by Ted Seaton in September 1985. The story is unclear but it is said that Ted usually was out at the castle with his metal detector a lot until finally in September of that year he found and unearthed the gem. The jewel is an exquisitely engraved 15th century lozenge shaped gothic reliquary pendant, set with a large sapphire. Seaton's metal detector had picked up trace metal elements in the setting of the pendant. Shortly after being discovered, the jewel was sold at auction at Sotheby's in 1986 for the sum of 1.3 million pounds. It was

also rumored that a high ranking member of the Royal Family bought it.

A few years later, the jewel was once again up for sale and again it was sold – only this time it fetched 2.5 million pounds! Almost double then what it was originally sold for. The jewel would come up for auction again once more, but this time the Yorkshire Museum bought it and it can be seen there on public display to this day.



HAND OF FAITH

Here's the story of some good fortune that happened to one lucky guy in Australia in 1980. Kevin Hillier from Wedderburn, Australia loved to take his metal detector out searching for objects whenever he had time. Although through the years Kevin had found many things, nothing would compare to what he would finally end up finding.

He was out one late afternoon searching the ground and so on when he got a good hit on his metal detector. Like many other people, Kevin didn't get overly excited because he knew from previous times they often turned out to be nails, old metal or bottle caps. After he started to unearth the area where the signal was coming from, to his surprise he saw gold. Thinking it was only a little nugget which wasn't that uncommon he tried to pull it out of the ground but with no luck. Kevin went on cleaning and digging out around the gold nugget. To everyone's surprise, when it was totally unearthed the gold nugget was amazingly huge – weighing in at 61 pounds total which at that time was worth around \$425,000 US.

Shortly after this, the nugget got the name "Hand of Faith" and was the 4th largest gold nugget in the world and the largest known gold nugget on display. It would be sold once more, only this time the "Golden Nugget Casino" purchased it for the sum of \$1,000,000 and put it on display in the North tower off their casino where it will probably remain for generations to come.

Some of the world's most famous treasures were actually discovered by ordinary people, many of them using the most basic and low tech metal detectors available.

The overall value of the treasure was valued at about 750,000 to 1,000,000 pounds and David and his son received half the value of the treasure which they split equally with the owner of the land.

These stories just go to show you that fancy top of the line equipment is not always necessary for finding big treasures. Instead what you need are time and patience – and hey who know what the reward might be.

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